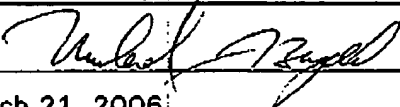
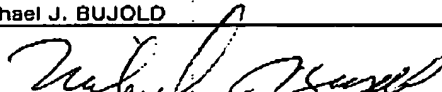


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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

[XXX] NO FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS RESPONSE.

In response to the Requirement for Information mailed January 24, 2006, please consider the following information upon reconsideration of this application.

REMARKS

The Examiner requires the Applicant to provide a number of examples of photoinducible redox active moieties comprising at least one electron-donor molecule and at least one electron-acceptor molecule. In addition, the Examiner also requires the Applicant to inform the Examiner if ruthenium bipyridine is considered to be an example of a photoinducible redox active electron donor/acceptor pair.

In response to the first requirement, attached are seven (7) examples of photoinducible redox active moieties comprising at least one electron-donor molecule and at least one electron-acceptor molecule.

With respect to the second requirement, paragraph 046 of the original specification provides examples of photoinducible redox active moieties. As stated: